

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application Serial No. . . . . CONTINUATION OF 10/087,474  
Filing Date . . . . . PARENT FILED: February 27, 2002  
Inventor . . . . . Todd B. Wendle  
Group Art Unit . . . . . PARENT PRIOR ART GROUP: 3677  
Examiner . . . . . PARENT APPLICATION EXAMINER Victor N. Sakran  
Attorney's Docket No. . . . . WE51-002  
Title: BUNDLING TIE

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

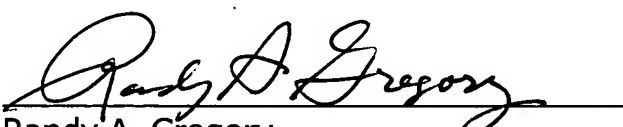
To: Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

From: Randy A. Gregory	Customer No.: 000039279
Gregory Law Office	Tel.: 509-245-3178
P. O. Box 31090	Fax: 509-245-3159
Spokane, WA 99223-3018	Email: RandyGregory@direcway.com)

This is a continuation application based on the above priority application.  
Amendments are made below which present new claims not previously  
considered by the Patent Office. Such claims are believed to be non-obvious  
over the prior art. Consideration and approval of this application is respectfully  
requested.

Respectfully,

Dated: Nov. 3, 2003

By:   
Randy A. Gregory  
Reg. No. 30,386